



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(CASE No. 06-379)

In the Application of:)	
Jenkins, et al.)	Examiner : Not Assigned
Serial No. 10/580,750)	
Filed: May 26, 2006)	Group Art Unit: 3663
Title: Optical Fibre Amplifier)	

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RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 12, 2007 NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Notice Of Non-Complaint Amendment was issued for the above-identified application on February 12, 2007. The Notice indicates that the amended drawings were not properly identified in the top margins. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was incorrectly issued because no new drawings or amended drawings were submitted with the application.


It is my practice when filing a U.S. national phase patent application to submit a copy of the International Application – including the drawings as well as a second separate copy of the drawings filed in the International application. I followed that practice in this case. None of the drawings submitted with the application are amended, new or replacement sheets. The second set of drawings was merely duplicative of the drawings appearing at the end of the International Application. For this reason, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mistakenly issued for this case and the Applicant asks that the Notice be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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